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THE UNITED ASBESTOS
ORIENTAL AGENCY.

Sole Agents for the
UNITED ASBESTOS COM-
PANY, LTD. LONDON.
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
General Agents.

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MONDAY, JULY 18, 1898.

一月八日英港七月八日

THIRTY DOLLARS
PER ANNUM.

BANKS.

THE
YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK, LIMITED.
ESTABLISHED 1880.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL Yen 12,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 9,000,000
RESERVE FUND 6,600,000

Head Office:—YOKOHAMA

Branches and Agencies:
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LONDON LYONS
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BOMBAY SHANGHAI

LONDON BANKERS:
THE LONDON JOINT STOCK BANK, LTD.
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THE UNION BANK OF LONDON, LTD.

HONGKONG AGENCY:—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent
per Annum on the daily balance.
On fixed deposits for 12 months at 5 per cent.

" " 5 " 4 "
" 3 " 3 "
S. CHOH, Agent.
Hongkong, 11th March, 1898. [382]

THE NATIONAL BANK OF CHINA,
LIMITED.

Authorised Capital £1,000,000
Paid up Capital £344,374

HEAD OFFICE:—HONGKONG.

Court of Directors:

J. T. Lauts, Esq. | Chow Tung Shang, Esq.
Chan Kit Shan, Esq. | Kwan Ho Chuen, Esq.
Chief Manager: G. W. F. PLAYFAIR.

Interest for 12 months Fixed, 5 per cent.
On Current Account, Daily Balances 2 per cent.
per Annum.

Hongkong, 30th November, 1897. [383]

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000
RESERVE FUND £3,000,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

COURT OF DIRECTORS:
Hon. J. J. HILL-IRVING—Chairman.
R. M. GRAV.—Deputy Chairman.
C. Deumans, Esq.
David Gobba, Esq. | R. L. Richardson, Esq.
A. Haup, Esq. | P. Sestet, Esq.
A. McDonald, Esq. | R. Shewen, Esq.
A. I. Raymond, Esq. | N. A. Sleby, Esq.
Chief Manager: T. JACKSON, Esq.

Hongkong—T. JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER:
Shanghai—J. P. WADE GARDNER, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY
BANKING COMPANY, LIMITED.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED:
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent.
per Annum on the daily balance.

INTEREST ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2½ per cent. per Annum.
For 6 months, 3 per cent. per Annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per Annum.

T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 20th May, 1898. [384]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE BUSINESS of the above Bank is conducted
by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION. Rules may be
obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3½ per
cent. per annum.

Depositors may transfer at their option
balances of \$100 or more to the HONGKONG AND
SHANGHAI BANK to be placed on FIXED
DEPOSIT at 4 PER CENT. per annum.

For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st August, 1895. [385]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA,
AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.
HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-
HOLDERS £800,000
RESERVE FUND £450,000

INTEREST ALLOWED on CURRENT
ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per
annum on the daily balance.
On Fixed Deposits for 12 months, 4 per cent.

" " 6 " 3½ "
" " 3 " 2½ "

T. H. WHITEHEAD,
Manager, Hongkong.
Hongkong, 24th May, 1898. [386]

WORTH A GUINEA A BOX.

REFRESHING
PILLS

FOR ALL
BILIOUS AND NERVOUS DISORDERS
SUCH AS
SICK HEADACHE, CONSTIPATION,
WEAK STOMACH,

IMPAIRED DIGESTION,
DISORDERED LIVER,
AND FEMALE AILMENTS.
ANNUAL SALE SIX MILLION BOXES.

50 Cents per Box.

Prepared only by the Proprietor:—
THOMAS BEECHAM, St. Helens, England.

SOLE AGENTS for HONGKONG and the
EMPIRE OF CHINA:—

WATKINS & CO.,
APOTHECARY'S HALL, 66, Queen's Road Central,
HONGKONG. [387]

Intimations.

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

FOR STEAMERS CAPTAINS TO SAIL REMARKS
JAPAN, &c. ... *Borno* ... A. W. Symes, R.N.R. ... About 21st July Freight or Passage.
LONDON, &c. ... *Ballaarat* &c; L. W. Field Noon, 23rd July Freight or Passage.
JAPAN *Rosita* ... E. P. Bishop 6 P.M., 23rd July Freight or Passage.
SHANGHAI *Paramita* &c; C. F. Preston, R.N.R. ... About 23rd July Freight or Passage.
LONDON *Shanghaik* ... R. A. Peters About 23rd July Freight or Passage.
STRAITS, &c. ... *Brimfield* &c; C. H. Waikios, R.N.R. ... About 23rd July Freight only.
LONDON *Mazagor* ... E. G. Andrews About 29th July Freight only.
(Passing through the Inland Sea). (See Special Advertisement).
(Calling at Colombo if sufficient inducement offers).

For Further Particulars apply to

H. A. RITCHIE, Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [388]

D. C. L.

OLD TOM GIN \$7 per doz.
DRY GIN 7 "

Owing to our holding sole bottling rights from the DISTILLERS CO., LTD. we are able to offer
their HIGH-CLASS GINS at above LOW PRICE.

H. PRICE & CO.

WINE & SPIRIT MERCHANTS, No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

JUST LANDED.

KUPPER'S PILSENER BEER.

The most popular of light Beers: there is never any sediment in KUPPER
BEER, it is always bright and sparkling.

CALDBECK, MACGREGOR & CO.,

Sole Agents.

15, Queen's Road.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1898. [389]

CURRY

AT THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

THE CLUB HOTEL, LIMITED.

No. 5-B, BUND, YOKOHAMA.

A FIRST-CLASS HOTEL Centrally situated, well furnished and
supplied with excellent Cuisine and Good Wines.
The Company's Steam-launch attends the arrival and departure of all
Mail Steamers.

Special attention paid to the comfort of Visitors.

E. V. SIOEN, Manager.

Yokohama, 1st October, 1897. [390]

W. POWELL & CO.
FOR
BATH BLANKETS,
BATH GOWNS,
BATH TOWELS.

Hongkong, 13th July, 1898. [391]

Intimations.

UNITED ASBESTOS ORIENTAL AGENCY, LIMITED.

SOLE AGENTS IN
HONGKONG, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

FOR THE
UNITED ASBESTOS COMPANY, LIMITED, LONDON,

CONTRACTORS TO H.M. GOVERNMENT.

MANUFACTURERS OF THE
Best Qualities of ASBESTOS GOODS and PACKINGS.
HYDRAULIC and SELF LUBRICATING PUMP PACKINGS of all kinds.
"VICTOR" METALLIC BOILER JOINTS.
ASBESTOS SALAMANDER BOILER COVERING COMPOSITION of the best quantities.
ESTIMATES given for every DESCRIPTION of WORK.

SUPERINTENDENT THOS. SKINNER.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO., General Agents.

Insurances.

THE STANDARD LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY

has long taken the lead in SIMPLIFYING the
CONDITIONS and LIBERALISING the
CONTRACT of LIFE ASSURANCE, thereby
giving greatly increased Security to the Holders
of the Company's Policies.

For full Particulars and Rates,
Apply to
DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,
Agents,
Hongkong, and March, 1898. [392]

THE NORWICH UNION FIRE INSURANCE SOCIETY.

FOUNDED 1797.

AMOUNT INSURED £330,000,000
LOSSES PAID £12,350,000
PREMIUM INCOME £872,000

The Undersigned Agents of the above Company
are prepared to accept RISKS against
Fire at CURRENT RATES.
DAVID SASOON, SONS & CO.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1898. [393]

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to accept First
Class FOREIGN and CHINESE RISKS at
CURRENT RATES.

SIEMSSSEN & CO.,
Hongkong, 28th May, 1898. [394]

GENERAL NOTICE.

THE ON TAI INSURANCE COMPANY,
(LIMITED).

CAPITAL, TAELS 600,000 } \$833,333.33
EQUAL TO }
RESERVE FUND \$318,000.00

BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
LEE SING, Esq. | LO YEE MOON, Esq.
LOU TSO SHUN, Esq.

MANAGER—HO AMEI.

MARINE RISKS on GOODS, &c., taken
at CURRENT RATES to all parts of the
World.

HEAD OFFICE, 8 & 9, PRAYA WEST,
Hongkong, 17th December, 1897. [395]

NOTICE.

THE MAN ON INSURANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED \$1,000,000

The above Company is prepared to accept
MARINE RISKS at CURRENT RATES on GOODS,
&c. Policies granted to all Parts of the world
payable at any of its Agencies.

CHAU TSUENG FAT,
Secretary.

HEAD OFFICE,
No. 2, QUEEN'S ROAD WEST.
Hongkong, 26th May, 1898. [396]

NOTICE.

I SAY! HERE'S SOMETHING GOOD.

THE OLD MAN'S ON DECK AGAIN

AT
THOMAS'S GRILL ROOMS.

WHAT'S THE MATTER WITH THIS

TARIFF:—

BREAKFAST \$0.65
Tiffin 0.75
Dinner 1.00

3 MEALS DAILY (Monthly Rate) 4.00

1 Tiffin 1.50
1 Dinner 2.00

Tiffin & Dinner 3.00

BREAKFAST & Tiffin 2.50
BREAKFAST & DINNER 2.80

BEST OF VIANDS SERVED IN THE
BEST OF STYLES.

J. E. GOODCHILD,
Manager.

WINDSOR HOTEL,
HONGKONG.

THIS ESTABLISHMENT, situated in the
elegant Building known as "CONNAUGHT HOUSE," offers First-class Accommodation
to Residents and Travellers.

Passenger Elevator, from Entrance Hall to
each Floor, in charge of experienced Attendant.

Favourable Arrangements made for Families
and for Monthly or Extended Periods.

BILLIARDS.

P. BOHM,
Proprietor & Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd April, 1898. [397]

THE KOWLOON HOTEL is now refitted
and reopened as a thoroughly HIGH-
CLASS HOTEL, with everything of the very
best, Splendid Suburban Situation, Unrivalled to
the Colony. Cuisine a Specialty: none in
compare. Liquors of carefully selected quality
Billiard-tables and Bowling-alley excellent.

J. W. OSBORNE,
Proprietor.</

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH, MONDAY, JULY 18, 1898.

TO-DAY'S ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONGKONG COTTON SPINNING,
WEAVING AND DYING CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECOND
INSTALLMENT of \$30 per share
on the share in the above Company becomes due
on the eighteenth day of August next, and
PAYMENT thereof must be made to the
BANKERS of the Company, viz., the HONGKONG
AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on or
before that date.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [875]

NOTICE.

A GRAND MUSEUM OF ANATOMICAL
SUBJECTS in WAX WORKS has just
arrived and will be OPENED EVERY DAY
from 9 A.M. to 11 P.M. at No. 62A, Queen's
Road Central, next door to Messrs. FALCONER
& CO.

PRICES OF ADMISSION.

Adults 30 cents.

Children and Soldiers in uniform 15.

S. SILBERMAR,
Proprietor.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [875]

TO LET.

IN ELGIN ROAD, Kowloon, close to Ferry,
Residential Flats Suitable for Foreign Residents.
Rent very moderate.

For particulars, apply to

H. RUTTONJEE,
13, D'Aguilar Street, Hongkong,
and
21 & 22, Elgin Road, Kowloon.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [875]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.

THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA."

Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the
above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 19th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [875]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR KOW.

THE Company's Steamship

"FOO HOW."

Captain Smale, will be despatched as above
on WEDNESDAY, the 20th instant, at 3 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [875]

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargos at through rates to ANTWERP,
AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, LISBON,
PORTO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, BREMEN,
NORTH & SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship

"IRENE."

Captain Schüller, will be despatched for the
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 21st instant.

This Steamer has Superior Accommodation
for First and Second Class Passengers and
carries a Doctor and a Stewardess.

To be followed by the

S.S. "HERTHA."

FOR HAVRE AND HAMBURG on THURSDAY,
the 21st instant.

S.S. "ASTURIA."

FOR LOND N, HAMBURG & ANTWERP
on THURSDAY, the 21st instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

CARLOWITZ & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [843]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,
LIMITED.

FOR PORT DARWIN, QUEENSLAND
PORTS, SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND
LAUNCESTON.

THE Company's Steamship

"CHANGSHA."

Captain Williams, will be despatched on
TUESDAY, the 22nd instant, at 3 P.M.

The attention of Passengers is directed to the
Superior Accommodation offered by this Steamer.
The First-class Saloon is situated forward of the
Engines. A Refrigerating Chamber ensures the
Supply of Fresh Provisions during the entire
voyage.

A duly qualified Surgeon is carried and the
Vessel is fitted throughout with Electric Light.

N.B.—Return Tickets issued by this Company
to and from AUSTRALIA are available for return
by the Steamers of the EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN
S.S. CO. and *vice versa*.

For Freight or Passage, apply to

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,
Agents.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [843]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. C. Company's Steamship

"BRINDISI."

FROM BOMBAY AND STRAITS.

Consignees of Cargo, by the above-named
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are
being landed and placed at their risk in the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
Company's Godowns, at Kowloon, where each
consignment will be sorted out by mark and
delivery can be obtained as soon as the
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—

From Zambar, &c. &c. S.S. *Pennula*, *Pachuli*,
and *Gao*.

Goods not cleared by the 24th instant, at 4
P.M. will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me for
any case whatever.

All damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns and a certificate of the damage
obtained from the Godown Company within ten
days after the vessel's arrival here, after which
no claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 18th July, 1898. [843]

INTIMATIONS.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &
COMPANY,
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,
HONGKONG.

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, MONDAY, JULY 18, 1898.

TELEGRAMS.

("HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SPECIAL)

RIOTING AT SHANGHAI.

SEVERAL NATIVES KILLED.

FRENCH MARINES LANDED

SHANGHAI, July 18th, 2.30 p.m.

A serious riot, connected with the re-
moval of the Ningpo Joss House, com-
menced on Saturday morning, when vast
crowds of natives assembled in the French
Settlement and gave much trouble to the
Police. A party of Marines were landed
from the French warship *Eclaireur* and
paraded in the afternoon. They were
attacked by the mob and two natives were
bayoneted. At night the electric lamps
were smashed and dangerous crowds
filled the streets assaulting all foreigners
when they came across. At midnight, however,
things were fairly quiet. On Sunday
morning the mob assembled at the eastgate
and smashed the police station windows.
The police fired and the marines followed
suit with a machine gun, killing eight
natives. An hour later the French Volun-
teers were attacked by a mob armed with
bamboos and boathooks and fired, killing
six natives. This restored quiet, and
the foreign women and children were
removed from the disturbed district to a place of safety, while the bridges
were guarded by police and volunteers.
In the afternoon the Shanghai Volunteer
Corps was mustered on the racecourse
and commanded to be ready in case of
need. Two hundred men were landed
from the Italian cruiser *Marco Polo* to rein-
force the French. A French cruiser is
hurriedly expected from Foochow. Should
the riots continue the *Eclaireur* has orders
to shell the native city. The shops and
banks in both settlements are closed. The
Ningpo Guild held a meeting yesterday
and ordered the Ningpo community to
abstain from further disturbances. Viceroy
Liu appoints the treasurer Nieh Shen
Taotai Governor of Soochow and appoints
Lo Taotai to proceed to Shanghai to assist
Taai Taotai to settle affairs with the
French Consul. Everything is now quiet.

A JAPANESE journal learns that Viscount Inaba,
Head of the Shinto religion, has circulated a
notice to his co-religionists cautioning them to
refrain from showing insolence or contempt
towards foreigners or foreign missionaries, when
they come across.

A CHINAMAN, who assaulted a poor old boat-
woman by cutting her eye with a pot, was to-day
fined \$15 or six weeks and he was ordered to
pay her \$5 or go to gaol for a further fourteen
days.

SEVEN sugar coolies were to-day charged by
Inspector Baker with gambling at Quarry Bay.
The police raided a house there and caught the
prisoners playing *pa-kow* on the first-floor. The
first defendant was fined \$50 or six weeks and the
others were fined \$3 each.

THE captain of the steamship *Klara Maria* was
to-day fined \$100 for comlog to his moorings on
arrival here from Amoy instead of going first to
the quarantine ground. He pleaded ignorance.

MR. CHAMBERLAIN made an offer to assist
Dominica financially if the Colony would accept
Crown Government. The legislature rejected the
offer by eight votes to six.

ON the 3rd instant, the police at Penang
raided a house, off Jelutong Road, and arrested
the occupier, a Chinaman, for being in posses-
sion of apparatus for counterfeiting bronze an-
copper coin. The court remanded the case.

AFTER about six months of life the United
Service Club, latterly known as the Cosmopolitan
Club, came to a close last week and on Friday
Mr. G. Lammet sold by auction the whole of
the property in the rooms, corner of Queen's
Road and Duddell Street. There was a large
attendance at the sale but the bidding was slack
and most of the furniture went off at very low
rates.

UNDER the agreement for the extension of
Hongkong, we have now, at all events, posses-
sion of the backdoor and scullery window, in
addition to the main entrance. Both sides of
Cant Sing Mun and the Ly-ee-Mun now belong
to us, and the Hongkong garrison should be
secure from the fate of the Chinese at Port
Arthur and Wei-hai-wei, but we are committed also
to further works of defence and an increased
garrison to effectively use what we have obtained.
We hope no friction may arise on the ques-
tion of providing the necessary money.—L. & C.
Express.

MR. CHAUNCEY DREW interviewed by a Paris
paper says: "there can be no alliance between
England and America. The heart of America
is not with England." Ah, well—perhaps not—but
"The Heart of Maryland" is.

APPOINTMENT OF AMERICAN VICE-CONSUL AT CANTON.

The *Daily Press* this morning says—

"Henry R. Williams, Jr., of California, has
been appointed and sworn in as Vice-Consul of
the United States at Canton, China, to assist
Consul Beddoe."

This is a case of "the office seeking the man"

as they say in America, for Vice-Consul Williams'
appointment by the State Department at Wash-
ington is due solely to the fact that the American
Missionaries of the Canton Consular District,
embracing the populous provinces of Kwang-
tung, Kwang and Yunnan, petitioned to President
McKinley requesting the appointment of Mr. Williams on the grounds of his eminent
service for the post, by long experience in China
as the manager of the American exporting firm
of Flood & Co. of Canton, Kobe, San Francisco
and New York, and also because he is the only
American citizen in Canton available for the
position of American Vice-Consul. The obvious
necessity for additional Consular officers in the
Canton district, owing to the various troubles
now existing in South China, made Mr.
Williams's appointment all the more desirable.

Consul Beddoe expresses himself as well
pleased with the Missionaries' selection and
says Vice-Consul Williams is "the right man in
the right place."

It has been matter of surprise that the
American Government has not established
Consular Offices at each of the seven Treaty
Ports in the Canton Consular District. Great
Britain has one to each of them to guard and
foster her trade. It will interest Americans to
know that this vast district of the three provinces
embraces an area of 183,000 square miles
and a population of 86,000,000 of Chinese.

The territory is more vast than that covered by
the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont,
Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut,
New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware
and Maryland, combined, which have only
162,000 square miles. This district has a popu-
lation of more than double that of the Empire
of Japan and 10,000,000 more people than are in
the United States.

THE WAR.

NEWS FROM MANILA.

The German cruiser *Cormoran* arrived from
Manila this afternoon having left that port on
the morning of the 13th instant.

When the *Cormoran* left all was quiet, and
the situation was practically unchanged. The
rebels had ceased firing on the city for a day or
two, but commenced again on the night of the
14th. They have made no further advance
towards Manila, however, and the Americans are
still awaiting reinforcements, the second conti-
gent of troops not having arrived.

It is rumoured that the rebel leader Aguilardo
has been into Manila and interviewed the
Governor General, but the object and the result
of the meeting have not transpired.

The American fleet was at Cavite when the
Cormoran left, no ships having been sent
either to Cebu or Iloilo.

THE EXTENSION OF HONGKONG.

Sir William Robinson, late Governor of Hong-
kong, has expressed the following view to a
representative of Reuter's Agency regarding the
extension of Hongkong:—"The Kowloon
arrangement," he said, "is an admirable one,
and will be of great benefit to the Chinese as
well as to European inhabitants of Hongkong.
Now we can look for lines of railway to Canton,
up to the Yangtze Valley, to Peking, and so on.
In fact, as I said, Kowloon might be made the
Canton Junction of the East. We must,
however, have European management. Kowloon
City, which has hitherto been a nest of
gamblers and robbers, will now be cleaned and
properly policed, to the great advantage of
Victoria."

In the House of Lords on June 13th, in reply
to a request of the Earl of Camperdown for
information concerning the acquisition of territory
at Hongkong, the Marquis of Salisbury said:—

I understand that my noble friend is discon-
tent with the position in which Parliament is
placed with reference to the information on this
convention. It is due to the novel state of
things brought about by the existence of the
telegraph. I cannot remember any instance
in which a convention has been held before Par-
liament merely on telegraphic warrant. The
proper and ordinary course will be to wait until
the convention comes into our hands, and then
to lay it before Parliament. Of course, the
intelligence of the substantial character of
its contents long precedes the arrival of
any such text. I do not know whether it is
possible in any formal manner to correct the
apparent irregularity to which the noble
Earl has called attention; but if informal
statements are to be accepted, I am glad to be
able to assure the noble lord that a convention of
the kind has been signed, and that the terms of it are
substantially, at all events, the same as
those which have reached us through the
ordinary channels of information. As soon as
we possess the actual text it will be immediately
communicated to Parliament. I do not know
that the details of this matter are of any general
interest; really, they are of strategical importance.
What has happened is this. An opportunity
has been taken to remedy a want which has
been felt for a long time, not only to give a
slight extension to the colony of Hongk

COLLISION IN THE HARBOUR.

At the Harbour Office to-day, Commdr. R. M. Rumsay (Harbour Master) held an enquiry into the circumstances connected with a collision between the steam-launch *Kam On* and No. 4 Police launch.

William Moore, P.C. 16, said—I was in No. 4 Police launch on the morning of 13th Inst. She was going northward intending to go to Bank Wharf, of Central Market, for coal. The *Kam On* was coming from Kowloon into one of the bamboo wharves. When I got off this wharf I slowed down, the *Kam On* was then about 150 yards off. When about 30 feet from the *Kam On* I put my helm hard a port to go in to the wharf. The *Kam On* came on and we cleared her till about her port quarter when she touched the stem of the launch and started it and some of the copper sheathing.

Pang Fat, master of the *Kam On*, said—I was coming from Yau Ma Tei and the west. I got close in and my boat touched the wharf and whilst so there the Police boat came in and ran into my starboard quarter.

Pang Fat's certificate was suspended for two weeks for lying and he was cautioned in addition.

THE KOWLOON EXTENSION.

FRANCE'S VIEWS.

The Paris correspondent of the *Times* telegraphing on the 10th June says:—

The new concessions obtained by England in China are considered here as the reply to the concession made to France of the railway from Pak-hai to Nanking, and the rapidity with which England has obtained this concession strikes the *Débats* as remarkable.

The advantage, says that paper, is not merely strategical, the territory conceded containing heights commanding the city of Hongkong, but this territory may become the starting-point of a railway either toward Canton or towards the interior, and even eventually towards the Yangtze. "We may ask ourselves how far this new success of the English is to be reconciled with the formal engagement taken by China as to the no-concession to other Powers of territorial advantages in the provinces bordering on Tongkong. It is no part of the story to recall in this connexion the considerable compensation which England managed to obtain in analogous circumstances during the discussion of the Upper-Mekong and Burmese State questions, when the violation of treaty was much less clear. An energetic policy, knowing what it wants and sure of its methods, would reap from this situation immediate consequences."

NEWS BY THE FRENCH MAIL.

[VIA CEYLON.]

LONDON, June 27th. The Indian Loan Bill has been read a third time in the House of Commons.

In the House of Commons last night Sir Michael Hicks Beach moved a resolution to remit the loss of £793,000 advanced to Egypt for the Sudan expedition in 1897. In doing so the Chancellor of the Exchequer referred to the eminent success of that expedition. Trade and Industry, he said, had been regulated and provinces were recovering slowly but surely. The advance to Khartoum, he said, might be far more serious than anything yet done in the Sudan, but Sir Herbert Kitchener and the forces under him were prepared for all eventualities. A larger force of British troops will be employed than ever before in that region. The Egyptian Army had enormously improved and the Dervishes were disheartened. The Government does not intend, he said, the retention of a large British force for a long time at Khartoum, neither do they contemplate undertaking further operations on a large scale or measures involving considerable expense for the recovery of the provinces south of Khartoum, but they anticipate that the gunboat Flora will make expeditions to free the Nile's waterway from any interference with the commerce of the interior. The Government believe that by establishing friendly relations between the Administration which will be formed at Khartoum and the tribes southward, it will be possible to open the region in a manner conferring the greatest possible benefit upon Egypt and Great Britain. The estimated cost of the advance on Khartoum is £700,000 which will be borne by Egypt. The motion was adopted by one hundred and fifty-five against forty-one votes.

LONDON June 27th.

Admiral Camara has been ordered to proceed to Suu. It is reported that arrangements have been made for collars to meet the squadron in the Red Sea and elsewhere. Commodore Watson has been appointed to the command of the American Squadron which is going to Spain. The squadron consists of three ironclads, and four cruisers, three collars accompanying.

The Americans are now landing the last batches of troops and supplies at Jiragua, but more are coming from America. The magnitude of the task is beginning to be understood, for the defences of Santiago are so strong and elaborately placed that it is believed more Artillery will be required. Hitherto the fighting has been mere outpost skirmishes. The Spaniards are probably retreating by order.

LONDON, June 28th. The American press censorship is evidently withholding news.

Admiral Dewey has been instructed that directly the first American troops arrive he is to occupy Manila, and is to notify the foreign representatives of his ability to protect their subjects. This is intended to preclude the landing of force, especially German.

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The Right Hon. C. J. Ritchie, President of the Board of Trade, has announced that it has been decided under the Conciliation Act to appoint a conciliator to deal with the Welsh coal strike.

LONDON, June 30th.

M. Brisson, the new French Premier, has read in both Chambers a declaration of the Policy of the Government, embodying various radical reforms and including an income tax. A vote of confidence in the Government was adopted by 316 to 230.

The India Loan Bill has passed through all stages in the House of Lords.

The Hon. Arthur Eliot, Unionist Candidate, has been elected Member for Durham City in place of the late Liberal Member, Mr. Mathew Fowler, by 1,167 votes. Mr. Bayley, the Liberal Candidate polling 1,102.

The Princess of Wales' Stake run for to-day resulted as follows:—

Golightly 1

Oldendene 3

St. Cloud 3

LONDON July 1st.

Maj. General Grenfell starts for Egypt on Monday and Mr. Renell Rodd leaves to-morrow.

LONDON, July 2nd.

In the Inter-University cricket match Oxford beat Cambridge by nine wickets.

BATTLE OF SANTIAGO.

LONDON, July 1st.

A general assault upon Santiago by land and sea began at seven o'clock this morning. While Admiral Sampson's squadron fiercely engaged the fort at the entrance of the harbour, General Saxon's division attacked the north-eastern side of the city, occupying the suburb of Cubano. The engagement soon became general. The American army numbering about seventeen thousand men are using balloons to ascertain the positions of the enemy whose fire was unable to touch the balloons. Nothing more is known at present as to the result of the attack.

Four American warships yesterday bombarded Manzanilla but were received with a hot fire and compelled to retire, one ship being disabled.

LONDON, July 2nd.

The fighting at Santiago lasted until sundown yesterday when General Lawton had occupied Cancy and other American forces had carried the outworks of the city. The battle will be resumed at daybreak to-day when a larger American force will be available. The American losses are estimated at between four and five hundred, mostly wounded.

Only fragmentary account from American sources have yet been received of the battle at Santiago.

The American losses in the fighting on Friday are believed to be upwards of a thousand.

President McKinley received an unofficial telegram that the battle was resumed on Saturday and continued all day. The message indicates that there were renewed heavy losses; but gives no definite result of the fighting.

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